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SUBJECT: LOCAL CONDITIONS AFFECTING TRAVEL OF AMCITS TO MADAGASCAR

REF: STATE 002840

1. PERSONAL SAFETY NEED NOT BE OF PRIME CONCERN TO AMCITS VISITING MADAGASCAR. THE MALAGASY, ESPECIALLY THOSE LIVING IN OUTLYING AREAS, ARE VERY HOSPITABLE TO AMERICAN VISITORS. ONLY RECENT CASE OF VIOLENCE SUFFERED BY AMCITS IN MADAGASCAR OCCURED IN OCTOBER 1975 WHEN TWO TRAVELLERS WERE BRUTALLY ASSAULTED IN NORTHERN PART OF COUNTRY. IT WAS NEVER DETERMINED, HOWEVER, IF ATTACKERS WERE MALAGASY.

2. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE USUAL TOURIST PRECAUTIONS SHOULD BE OBSERVED; PICK POCKETS, FOR EXAMPLE, ARE QUITE ACTIVE IN MADAGASCAR'S CAPITAL TANANARIVE.

3. POTENTIAL VISITORS SHOULD ALSO BE INFORMED THAT MALAGASY VISAS ARE ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL BEFORE ARRIVING IN MADAGASCAR. TRAVELLERS HAVE BEEN REFUSED ENTRY INTO COUNTRY RECENTLY FOR LACK OF VISAS (STATE 304434).

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4. MOREOVER, THEY SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS ON GOV'T FORMS (INCLUDING HOTEL REGISTRATION FORMS) AND PHOTOGRAPHING GOV'T INSTALLATIONS COULD RESULT IN PRISON SENTENCES. SHEINBAUM

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